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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Discussion with [REDACTED] Logistics, on  
Problems in TSS Research

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1. [REDACTED] advised me that there were several problems in the area of TSS research which were giving Logistics trouble. Generally, problems centered around lack of coordination in that it was difficult to determine who was requiring TSS-type research and development and sometimes, when a product was developed and delivered, who wanted it in the first place. He advised me further that the Chief of his office, Logistics Planning, had drawn some tentative conclusion in the direction of a central research and development board to eliminate the lack of coordination and planning.

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2. I advised [REDACTED] that insofar as the responsibility of this office for external research was concerned, TSS-type research and development was separate and apart and not our responsibility. This, I indicated, was due to the specialized nature of TSS research and development.

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3. However, for whatever benefit it was to [REDACTED] and the TSS and other DDP people with whom he deals, I briefed him on our experience in coordination of external research in social sciences (including some fundamental scientific research sponsored by OSI). I recalled to [REDACTED] that I understood [REDACTED] had made an effort at inter-agency coordination of TSS research and development.

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4. [REDACTED] indicated that he would like to keep in touch with me for consultation on this problem and I replied that I would be happy to give whatever advice I could. I told [REDACTED] that, inasmuch as our Defense member of the SSRG in addition to his responsibility in non-material research was responsible for material research, his information might be useful to me.

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